

# TAR HEELS IN THE OLYMPIC GAMES

Player	Team
Larry Brown .....	1964
Charlie Scott .....	1968
Bobby Jones .....	1972
Walter Davis .....	1976
Phil Ford .....	1976
Bill Guthridge (Assistant Coach) .....	1976
Mitch Kupchak .....	1976
Tommy LaGarde .....	1976
Dean Smith (Head Coach) .....	1976
Al Wood .....	1980
Michael Jordan .....	1984
Sam Perkins .....	1984
J.R. Reid .....	1988
Michael Jordan .....	1992
Henrik Rodl (Germany) .....	1992
Vince Carter .....	2000
Larry Brown (Assistant Coach) .....	2000

**Note:** With the exception of Rodl, all other UNC players and coaches represented the United States.

named first-team All-ACC in his freshman, sophomore and junior seasons.

Cota established a UNC single-season assist record with 274, shattering Kenny Smith's previous mark of 235. Shammond Williams became the alltime three-point shooter in UNC history with 233 and set the alltime ACC single-season free throw percentage record as he made 133 of 146 for a percentage of .911.

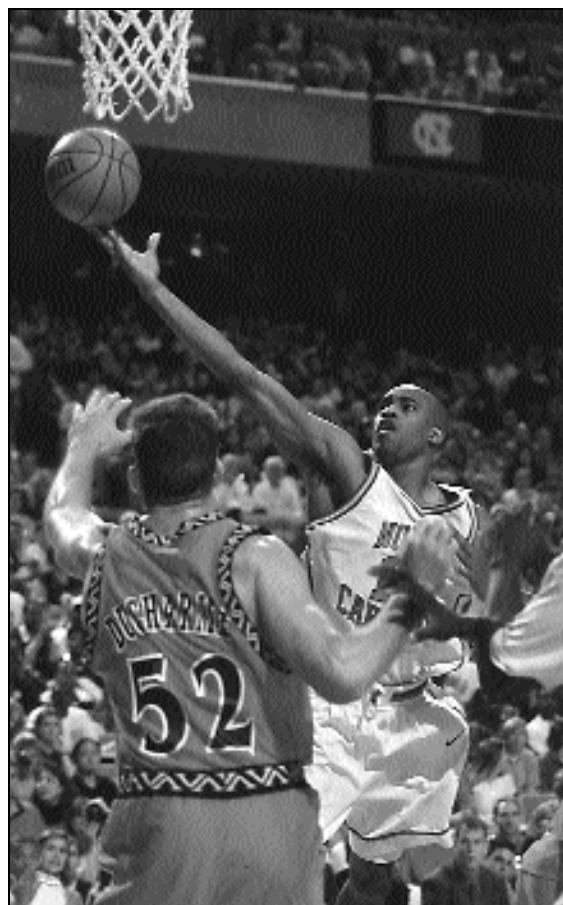
The Tar Heels twice defeated No. 1 ranked Duke. Those wins give Carolina nine alltime wins over No. 1 ranked teams, matching Notre Dame for the most wins over the nation's top-ranked programs. The first UNC win over Duke was a 97-73 decision on Feb. 5, 1998, and was only the second meeting between the two schools in which the teams were ranked 1-2 in the nation. The second win over the Blue Devils came in the ACC Tournament final. Jamison had 35 points and 11 rebounds in the regular-season contest and 22 points, 18 rebounds in the ACC championship game.

After the season, Jamison and fellow first-team All-ACC selection Vince Carter declared for the NBA Draft after their junior seasons. Jamison was the fourth player selected in the first round and Carter was taken with the very next pick. The two players were then traded for each other with Jamison ending up with the Golden State Warriors and Carter with the Toronto Raptors. Carter went on to win the NBARookie of the Year Award, becoming the fifth Tar Heel to win the honor.

In 1998-99, the Tar Heels overcame the early NBA departures of Carter and Jamison, but still finished 24-10. Carolina won 10 ACC regular-season games for the seventh straight year and advanced to the championship game of the ACC Tournament with a stunning 86-79 victory over fifth-ranked Maryland. Senior Ademola Okulaja earned first-team All-

ACC honors after leading the Tar Heels in scoring, rebounding, steals and three-point baskets.

In 1999-2000, Guthridge led Carolina to the NCAA Final Four for the second time in his three years as head coach. The Tar Heels reached the national semifinals despite 13 regular-season losses, tying the record for most losses by a Final Four team. UNC, a No. 8 seed entering the NCAA Tournament, reached its sixth Final Four in 10 years and 15th overall, setting an NCAA record.



All-America Vince Carter helped lead Carolina to back-to-back Final Four appearances in 1997 and '98.

Ed Cota in 1999-2000 became UNC's all-time assist leader with 1,030 and became just the third player in NCAA history to top the 1,000-assist plateau. Cota ended his career as the only player in NCAA history to score 1,000 points, dish out 1,000 assists and grab 500 rebounds.

Also in 1999-2000, freshman guard Joseph Forte became Carolina's fifth ACC Rookie of the Year honoree after leading the Tar Heels and all conference freshman in scoring. Forte is the first freshman in school history to lead UNC in scoring and scored more points as a freshman than any other player in school annals.

Carolina upset No. 3-ranked and top-seeded Stanford, 60-53, in the NCAA Second Round. In the regional final, Forte scored 28 points and Carolina beat Tulsa, 59-55.

## DOHERTY TAKES THE REINS

Following the 1999-2000 season, head coach Bill Guthridge retired with a record of 80-28 in three years as a head coach, which tied the record for most wins by a three-year head coach in NCAA history.

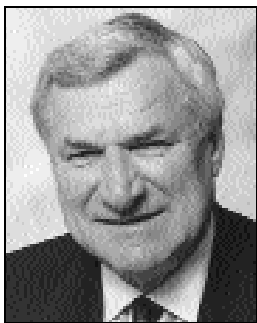
Athletic Director Dick Baddour then turned to Matt Doherty, the head coach at Notre Dame and a 1984 UNC graduate, to lead the Tar Heels into a new era. Doherty is just the fourth head coach at Carolina since the 1952-53 season.



Ed Cota ended his career in 2000 as the only player in NCAA history to tally 1,000 points, 1,000 assists and 500 rebounds.

# 2000-2001 NORTH CAROLINA BASKET-

## FORMER HEAD COACH DEAN SMITH



### 36 Seasons 879-254 (.776)

#### EDUCATION

B.A., Communications  
Kansas '53

■ Smith finished his career as the alltime winningest coach in basketball history with 879 victories.

■ In 36 years, Smith coached Carolina to 11 Final Fours, two national titles and 13 ACC Tournament Championships.

■ Over 96 percent of Smith's lettermen graduated since his first year in 1961-62.

■ From 1981 to 1989, Carolina was ranked in the final Top 10 of both the Associated Press and coaches' poll each year.

■ Only four times in Smith's 36 years did the Tar Heels fail to make 50 percent of their field goal attempts.

■ Smith was named the second-best coach in college basketball history (behind John Wooden) by the NABC in 2000.

■ Smith was inducted into the Naismith Memorial Basketball Hall of Fame in Springfield, Mass., in 1983. He was also inducted into the North Carolina Hall of Fame in 1981.

■ Smith was voted ACC Coach of the Year eight times - 1967, 1968, 1971, 1976, 1977, 1979, 1988 and 1993.

#### Consistency.

It is perhaps the trait that everyone in athletics most admires, the ability to accomplish something on a regular basis. Anyone can achieve a goal once or even twice, but to do it everyday or every year is the mark of true brilliance.

Sports fans, for example, like to say that "records are made to be broken."

They will also tell you there is one record that will always be safe—Joe DiMaggio's 56-game hitting streak.

That may sound confusing, but it's an indication of the incredible awe with which the DiMaggio streak is viewed. To get a base-hit in each of 56 consecutive games is a stunning achievement.

It is a record of unbelievable consistency.

The incredible record of North Carolina Basketball Coach Dean Smith is a similar example of amazing consistency. The overall numbers alone are staggering.

But, the consistent manner with which they were put together is even more remarkable.

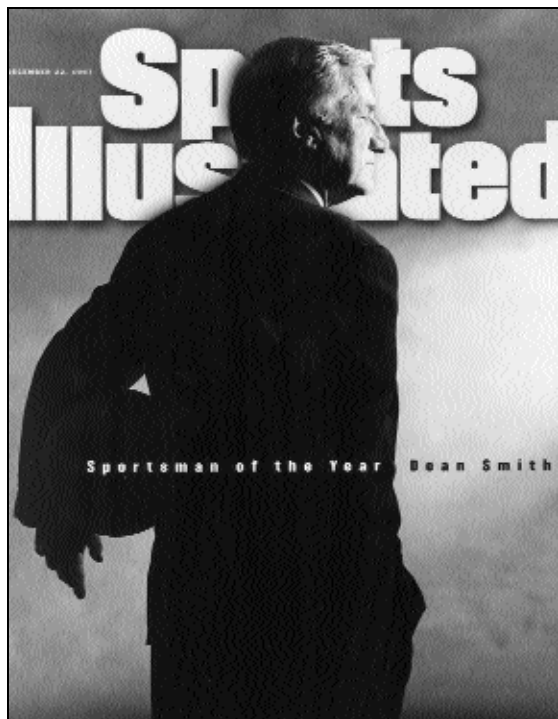
In 36 seasons at Carolina, Smith's teams had an alltime record of 879-254. His teams won more games than those of any other college coach in history.

However, that's only the beginning of what his UNC teams achieved.

• Under Smith, the Tar Heels won at least 20 games for 27 straight years and 30 of his final 31. No coach in history has ever produced that many consecutive 20-win seasons. In fact, no other coach has even won 20 games for 27 years.

• A 28-7 finish in his last year also gave Smith an NCAA-record 22nd season with at least 25 wins. Fresno State's Jerry Tarkanian ranks second in 25-win seasons with 14 and former UCLA Coach John Wooden is third with 11.

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Dean Smith was named the 1997 Sports Illustrated Sportsman of the Year.

each year. That nine-year run is the second-longest streak of Top-10 finishes in history, exceeded only by UCLA's 13-year string from 1967 to 1979.

• In an era of tremendous competitiveness in the college game, the Tar Heels were ranked among the nation's final Top 15 teams 28 of his last 31 seasons, missing only in 1970, 1990 and 1996, and were among the Top 10 on 23 occasions during that period. Kentucky was second on the list with 23 appearances in the final Top 15. Carolina teams coached by Smith finished the season ranked No. 1 in at least one of the two major polls four times (1982, 1984, 1993 and 1994).

• Smith's teams were also the dominant force in the Atlantic Coast Conference, arguably the nation's strongest overall basketball league. The Tar Heels under Smith had a record of 364-136 in ACC regular-season play, a winning percentage of .728.

• The Tar Heels finished at least third in the ACC regular-season standings for 33 successive seasons. In that span, Carolina finished first 17 times, second 11 times and third five times.

• In 36 years of ACC competition, Smith's teams finished in the conference's upper division all but one time. That was in 1964, when UNC was fifth and had its only losing record in ACC regular-season play under Smith at 6-8.

• Carolina's sweep of the 1997 ACC Tournament was its 13th under Smith. Mike Krzyzewski of Duke ranks second in ACC Tournament titles with five.

• When Carolina advanced to the NCAA Final Four in 1997, it marked the 11th trip for one of Smith's teams to the national semi-finals. Only Wooden, with 12, has been there more often.

• Smith's teams made a record 23 consecutive appearances in the NCAA Tournament. Arizona's Lute Olson has the second-longest streak in history at 16.

• In his last 31 years, Smith guided the Tar Heels into the NCAA Tournament 27 times.

• From 1981 through 1993 Carolina reached the Final 16 of NCAA play every season. That 13-year streak is the second-longest in Tournament history to a 14-year stretch by UCLA from 1967 to 1980.

Those numbers just begin to tell the story of what Dean Smith accomplished in his Carolina career. He has done more for his sport than perhaps any coach in history. Respected by fellow coaches, admired by his current and former players and acknowledged as one of the greatest minds in the game, Smith has accomplished nearly everything imaginable in his sport.

The awards and accolades continue to be given to Smith, even after he stepped down as Carolina's head coach on October 9, 1997. Smith was named Sportsman of the Year by Sports Illustrated, Honorary Coach of the Year by the United States Olympic Committee, received the Arthur Ashe Award for Courage at the annual ESPY Awards, and was honored with special awards for contributions to basketball by the Atlanta Tipoff Club and New York Athletic Club. In 1999, ESPN ranked Smith one of its seven "Sportscentury Greatest Coaches of the Century."

Smith also became the first recipient of the Mentor Award for Lifetime Achievement, given by the University of North Carolina Committee on Teaching Awards for "a broader range of teaching beyond the classroom."

He's recognized throughout the sports world for his character, his innovations to the game and his ability to

have established Carolina's program as one of the greatest in college basketball. Smith's players consistently produce on the floor, in the classroom and in life.

As in any vocation, it's one's peers who truly know the daily rigors of a job best and can most appreciate what it takes to excel in the competitive world of collegiate coaching. The accolades Smith has received over the years are an indication of the respect they have for him.

Those have been common throughout his career, but mushroomed in March 1997 as he surpassed Adolph Rupp as the coach whose teams have won the most games in college history.

Here are a few examples of what some coaches said when that milestone was reached:

**Former UCLA Coach John Wooden:** "It's a tremendous accomplishment to break Coach Rupp's record. More than anything, it shows excellence over a long period of time. But what's more impressive to me about Dean than the record is how good he is as a teacher of basketball. I've always said he's a better teacher of basketball than anyone else. I couldn't begin to teach players the things Dean has taught them. I've admired him because there's more to him than just wins."

**Bob Knight:** "Let me say some things that he won't say. He's going to say an awful lot about teams and that's the way it should be. But let me put it in perspective. His being able to do that and do it at a single institution, do it through all the years without ever having a problem with any kind of recruiting violation or probation, is a very singular accomplishment in college basketball. I think it's a great achievement, indicative of a guy who really knows how to coach and has decided from day one that things are going to be done the absolute right way."

"He's not going to tell you, but just take my word for it. That's a great, great accomplishment for a coach."

**Duke's Mike Krzyzewski:** "It's singularly such a tremendous accomplishment. People might say 'Yeah, you're at North Carolina and you've been there a number of years.' *You* be there a number of years. *You* be competitive. And *you* be as consistent with excellence as he has been."

"So whatever is written about him in a positive sense he justly deserves. I know he'll give credit, as we all would, to the players who have played for us, but in this situation the praise for him should rise well above that for the players who played for him."

**Roy Williams of Kansas:** "He has a basketball program, he doesn't have a team. And when you have a program, you're concerned about the kids' entire lives, their entire existence... and what they're going to do after they leave you and what kind of effect you can have on them as they mature."

**Dave Odom of Wake Forest:** "What boggles the mind about him, at least to me, are the numbers of nights he's gone into the arena and been ready to compete on every single possession. I've not done it anywhere close to half as often and there are nights when it seems the season will never end. And yet, he's there, ready to go, always figuring out a way to beat you. Whenever I think about it, I shake my head in wonder."

**Former Virginia coach and current Athletic Director Terry Holland:** "He has been a target for all of us who coached in the ACC to shoot for. It is not always the most pleasant position to be in. The Carolina program was the measuring stick to everybody who came into the league. He has been willing to be the measuring stick. He helped create national exposure not only for North Carolina, but also for the other ACC teams as well and made us all improve our programs."

Consistency.

Coaches certainly recognize its importance and the work it takes to maintain a program at Carolina's level on a year-in, year-out basis. There are more good players than ever in college basketball. Competition is tougher than it has ever been in the past. That's what makes the accomplishments of Smith's teams more incredible.

And it is the teams that Smith says deserve any recognition which has come his way. The players, he points out, are the ones who make the plays, stop the opposition and face the pressure of winning and losing games.

Carolina has certainly had its share of sensational players. But, it was Smith who molded them into great teams by stressing unselfish play on offense and emphasizing hard-nosed defense on the other end of the court.

That's why he received praise for years and not just because of his all-time record.

In the December 1993 issue of College Sports magazine, Smith was hailed by his fellow NCAA Division I coaches as the coaching colleague they respected the most. In a survey of 46 Division I basketball coaches, Smith topped the most respected category and was second in the most feared category behind Indiana's Knight. The

#### YEAR-BY-YEAR WITH DEAN SMITH AT NORTH CAROLINA

Year	Overall W-L	Pct.	ACC W-L	ACC Regular Season Finish	ACC Tournament Finish	National Polls Media Coaches	Post-Season Finish
1961-62	8-9	.471	7-7	Tied 4th	Quarterfinalist		
1962-63	15-6	.714	10-4	3rd	Semifinalist		
1963-64	12-12	.500	6-8	5th	Semifinalist		
1964-65	15-9	.625	10-4	Tied 2nd	Quarterfinalist		
1965-66	16-11	.593	8-6	Tied 3rd	Semifinalist		
1966-67	26-6	.813	12-2	1st	Champion	4th 3rd	NCAA 4th Place
1967-68	28-4	.875	12-2	1st	Champion	4th 4th	NCAA Finalist
1968-69	27-5	.844	12-2	1st	Champion	4th 2nd	NCAA 4th Place
1969-70	18-9	.667	9-5	Tied 2nd	Quarterfinalist		NIT Final 16
1970-71	26-6	.813	11-3	1st	Finalist	13th 13th	NIT Champion
1971-72	26-5	.839	9-3	1st	Champion	2nd 2nd	NCAA 3rd Place
1972-73	25-8	.758	8-4	2nd	Quarterfinalist	11th 12th	NIT 3rd Place
1973-74	22-6	.786	9-3	Tied 2nd	Semifinalist	12th 8th	NIT Final 16
1974-75	23-8	.742	8-4	Tied 2nd	Champion	9th 10th	NCAA Final 16
1975-76	25-4	.862	11-1	1st	Finalist	8th 6th	NCAA Final 32
1976-77	28-5	.848	9-3	1st	Champion	5th 3rd	NCAA Finalist
1977-78	23-8	.742	9-3	1st	Semifinalist	16th 10th	NCAA Final 32
1978-79	23-6	.793	9-3	Tied 1st	Champion	9th 3rd	NCAA Final 32
1979-80	21-8	.724	9-5	Tied 2nd	Semifinalist	15th 15th	NCAA Final 32
1980-81	29-8	.784	10-4	2nd	Champion	6th 6th	NCAA Finalist
1981-82	32-2	.941	12-2	Tied 1st	Champion	1st 1st	NCAA Champion
1982-83	28-8	.778	12-2	Tied 1st	Semifinalist	8th 8th	NCAA Final 8
1983-84	28-3	.903	14-0	1st	Semifinalist	1st 1st	NCAA Final 16
1984-85	27-9	.750	9-5	Tied 1st	Finalist	7th 7th	NCAA Final 8
1985-86	28-6	.824	10-4	3rd	Quarterfinalist	8th 8th	NCAA Final 16
1986-87	32-4	.889	14-0	1st	Finalist	2nd 3rd	NCAA Final 8
1987-88	27-7	.794	11-3	1st	Finalist	7th 8th	NCAA Final 8
1988-89	29-8	.784	9-5	Tied 2nd	Champion	5th 4th	NCAA Final 16
1989-90	21-13	.618	8-6	Tied 3rd	Quarterfinalist		NCAA Final 16
1990-91	29-6	.829	10-4	2nd	Champion	4th 4th	NCAA Final 4
1991-92	23-10	.697	9-7	3rd	Finalist	18th 12th	NCAA Final 16
1992-93	34-4	.895	14-2	1st	Finalist	4th 1st	NCAA Champion
1993-94	28-7	.800	11-5	2nd	Champion	1st 9th	NCAA Final 32
1994-95	28-6	.823	12-4	Tied 1st	Finalist	4th 3rd	NCAA Final 4
1995-96	21-11	.656	10-6	3rd	Quarterfinalist	25th 24th	NCAA Final 32
1996-97	28-7	.800	11-5	Tied 2nd	Champion	4th 4th	NCAA Semifinalist
<b>Totals</b>	<b>879-254</b>	<b>.776</b>	<b>364-136</b>	<b>17 ACC</b>	<b>13 ACC</b>	<b>24 Top 10 Poll</b>	<b>27 NCAA</b>
<b>36 Years</b>			<b>(.728)</b>	<b>Regular-Season</b>	<b>Tournament Titles</b>	<b>Finishes, 27 Top 15</b>	<b>Appearances,</b>
				<b>Championships</b>	<b>20 ACC</b>	<b>Poll Finishes</b>	<b>4 NIT Appearances,</b>
					<b>Tournament Finals</b>		<b>2 NCAA Titles,</b>
					<b>Appearances</b>		<b>11 NCAA Regional</b>
							<b>Titles, 1 NIT Title</b>

latter was based on the question, "Who would you least like to face in a big game?"

The results of a 1986 *Dallas Morning News* poll of college head coaches also revealed resounding admiration for Smith. In a survey of head coaches at that season's NCAA Final Four, Smith received 49 votes as the nation's top basketball coach.

At the 1995 NCAA Final Four, the *Seattle Post-Intelligencer* conducted a poll of all attending coaches. The paper asked, "If you could spend one hour talking with one living person about college basketball, who would it be?" The top three answers were UCLA's Wooden, Indiana's Knight and Smith.

Perhaps his greatest form of praise on a worldwide level came when a group of his peers, including Hall of Fame coaches Henry Iba, Pete Newell and Red Auerbach, chose Smith to coach the U.S. Olympic basketball team in the 1976 Montreal Games. The Americans had finished a controversial second to the Soviet Union at Munich in 1972. Smith was given the challenge of trying to develop a team to regain the Gold Medal against a group of improving international teams.

He promptly named his long-time Carolina assistant, Bill Guthridge, and Georgetown's John Thompson, to be his assistants on the Olympic Team staff. Smith's teaching skills were put to one of their toughest tests. In the international game, it's not about building character and preparing young men for life, it's about winning under extreme pressure.

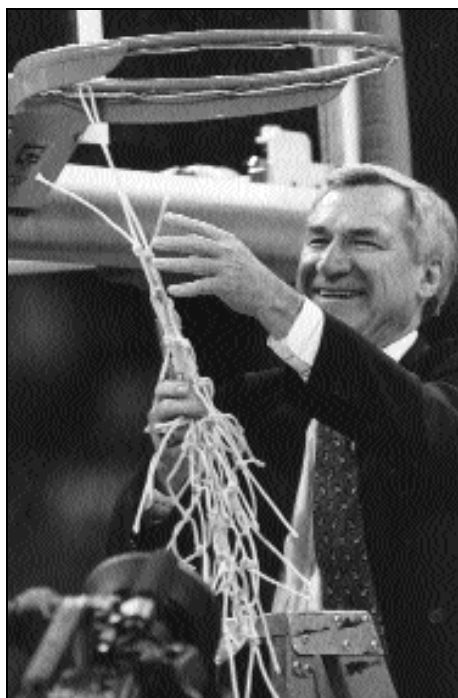
Smith molded a group of college all-stars into a cohesive unit during a few short weeks in that summer of 1976 and led them to the gold medal, sweeping through the Games undefeated and beating Yugoslavia in the championship game. Emphasizing a tough pressure defense and a fast-breaking, attacking style on offense, the Americans returned to the top of the international game.

Just as Smith used his talents to develop that 1976 all-star team into an Olympic champion, he has prepared a host of players for successful careers in the NBA.

"UNC is a plus-four school," according to Orlando Magic Vice President of Basketball Operations-Player Personnel John Gabriel, "meaning that if I rate a player as the 10th-best player in the NBA Draft, being a Tar Heel automatically jumps him to number six. The plus-four rating is based upon the success of former Tar Heels in the NBA."

The Miami Heat's Pat Riley, who coached former Tar Heel standout James Worthy to three world titles with the Los Angeles Lakers, is another believer in Smith's program.

"We always look for players from North Carolina," said Riley a few years ago. "If we could draft players every year from North Carolina, we'd do it. You know they know how to play. The players are so full of character like James and Michael Jordan. I have a lot of respect for Coach Smith. I'm the beneficiary of a man who has taught all these guys how to



play the game. When they come to the pros, they're refined. They're ready to step right in."

While statistics can sometimes be misleading, in Smith's case the figures are just too overwhelming to ignore.

During his last 31 seasons, since Smith's Tar Heels won their first ACC title in 1967, Carolina was among the most dominant teams in the history of the game. The Tar Heels had a record of 813-207 in that span, winning 79.7 percent of their games. That's an average record of 26-7 per year.

In 23 of those 31 seasons, Carolina won either the regular-season or tournament title or both. That level of consistency would be an amazing feat for any college basketball program, but it is particularly significant in a league as competitive as the ACC.

Most schools are happy just to win 20 games in a season. At Carolina, it's become a habit. No school in the country won more total games in that 31-year period than Carolina. UCLA was second with 751 victories. The Tar Heels also had the most wins over his last 20 seasons with 539, and over his last 10 years with 268.

Smith's teams earned 27 or more wins in 14 of his last 17 seasons.

For Smith and his players, the word "class" applied to the team's exemplary sportsmanship on the court, to its excellent academic performance and to Smith's belief that basketball involves many complexities that must be learned over the course of time — that coaching and playing the game is a classroom situation in its own right. The Tar Heels' astounding consistency on the court was due in large part to Smith's efforts to teach his players the fundamentals and the intricacies of the sport.

That dedication, along with a graduation rate among his lettermen of 97.3 percent, have been instrumental in Carolina's success.

Without compromising a commitment to academic excellence, Smith's teams have won championships at every level. There were NCAA titles in 1982 and 1993 and a sweep of the National Invitation Tournament in 1971. His gold medal-winning team at the 1976 Summer Olympic Games makes Smith one of only three men in history to coach teams to that troika of an NCAA title, NIT championship and Olympic victory. The others are Pete Newell of California and Indiana's Knight.

Smith's coaching skills and dedication to playing with class are the reasons he was inducted into the Naismith Memorial Basketball Hall of Fame in Springfield, Mass., in 1983. He was also inducted into the North Carolina Sports Hall of Fame in 1981.

Former Marquette Coach Al McGuire once said of him: "If anyone was born to be a coach, it's Dean Smith. He's the Jack Armstrong-type person."

A key to Smith's success has been his ability to change Carolina's style to fit his personnel. He favored an offense which used the fast break whenever possible and featured a quick passing attack. But, he was also comfortable in a more disciplined style of play.

He liked to play multiple defenses to confuse opponents. However, his preference was a pressure, man-to-man to speed up the action.

Smith had tremendous rapport with his players and that was an important aspect of what he has accomplished. He had an uncanny talent for getting the best out of all his players, from his many All-Americans to the last guys on the bench.

The fast-breaking attack, great teamwork in a set offense and steals produced by the defense resulted in a number of easy baskets. Along with good shot selection, those things have helped Carolina annually rank among the best shooting teams in the nation. Only four times since 1970 did Carolina failed to hit 50 percent from the field as a team. Even in those four seasons, Carolina topped the ACC in field goal shooting each year.

Among Smith's many innovations are the run-and-jump defense, the scramble defense out of man-to-man pressure defense, the point zone, team huddles at the foul line, double-teaming the screen-and-roll, the

#### WINNINGEST NCAA DIVISION I MEN'S BASKETBALL COACHES OF ALLTIME

##### BY VICTORIES ENTERING THE 2000-2001 SEASON

(Minimum 10 head coaching seasons in NCAA Division I)

Coach, College(s)	Years	Victories
1. Dean Smith (North Carolina)	36	879
2. Adolph Rupp (Kentucky)	41	876
3. Jim Phelan (Mount St. Mary's)	45	809
4. Henry Iba (Northwest Missouri State, Colorado, Okla. St.)	41	767
5. Bob Knight (Army, Indiana)	35	764
6. Ed Diddle (Western Kentucky)	42	759
7. Phog Allen (Baker, Haskell, Central Missouri State, Kansas)	48	746
8. Lefty Driesell (Davidson, Maryland, James Madison, Ga. State)	38	733
Jerry Tarkanian (Long Beach State, UNLV, Fresno State)	29	733
10. Norm Stewart (Northern Iowa, Missouri)	38	731

free-lance passing game and multiple screens against zone defenses.

Smith's amazing knack for being such a good instructor developed early. Born February 28, 1931, in Emporia, Kan., Dean Edwards Smith grew up as the son of public school teachers. He graduated from Topeka High School in 1949 and went to the University of Kansas on an academic scholarship. He played varsity basketball and baseball and freshman football for the Jayhawks. He was a member of Jayhawk basketball teams that won the NCAA title in 1952 and finished second in 1953.

After graduating from Kansas, Smith served as an assistant coach at his alma mater to Phog Allen and Dick Harp and then served in the U.S. Air Force as a lieutenant. While in the service, he played and coached basketball in Germany. Smith served for three years as an assistant basketball coach under Bob Spear, recognized by his peers as one of the outstanding coaches in the history of the game, and one year each as head baseball and head golf coach at the United States Air Force Academy. In 1958, the late Frank McGuire asked him to join his staff at Carolina as an assistant coach. Smith served as an assistant under McGuire for three years before McGuire resigned to become head coach of the NBA's Philadelphia Warriors in the summer of 1961. At that time, Carolina Chancellor William Aycock tapped the 30-year-old Smith to become UNC's head coach.

Since Smith taught the fundamentals and complexities of basketball so well, former Tar Heel players, assistant coaches and managers have moved on to enjoy very successful careers in all fields of endeavor.

Smith shared his knowledge of the game with a talented group of assistants. Former Tar Heel player and assistant coach Larry Brown led Kansas to the 1988 NCAA championship, UCLA to the 1980 NCAA championship game and has rejuvenated the fortunes of many NBA teams, his most current assignment being the Philadelphia 76ers. When Brown left Kansas in 1988 to coach the San Antonio Spurs, the Jayhawks plucked its new coach from the ranks of Smith's staff, choosing Roy Williams, a 10-year assistant.

In 1999, ABC Sports named its "SportsCentury Greatest Coaches of the Century." Dean Smith was selected as one of the seven. The list (in alphabetical order):

Red Auerbach, Boston Celtics (NBA)  
 Bear Bryant, University of Alabama (football)  
 George Halas, Chicago Bears (NFL)  
 Vince Lombardi, Green Bay Packers (NFL)  
 John McGraw, NY Giants (MLB)  
**Dean Smith, University of North Carolina (basketball)**

In only his third year Williams led the Kansas to the NCAA championship game. Williams' Jayhawks returned to the Final Four again in 1993, losing to Smith's Tar Heels in the semifinals.

Two of Smith's former assistants, John Lotz and Kenny Rosemond, left Carolina to take head coaching jobs at Florida and Georgia, respectively, and each was named the Southeastern Conference Coach of the Year. Lotz currently serves as an assistant athletic director at Carolina.

Eddie Fogler, like Brown both a player and an assistant coach under Smith at UNC, left Carolina in 1986 after 15 years as an assistant to take over the head coaching job at Wichita State. He quickly rebuilt the Shockers' program to national respectability, taking them to the NCAA Tournament his first two seasons and the NIT the third.

He moved to Vanderbilt for the 1989-90 season, succeeding C.M. Newton as head coach, and in his first season with the Commodores, led them to the NIT championship, after having been picked to finish eighth in the SEC in the preseason. In 1993, Fogler led Vanderbilt to the Final 16 of the NCAA Tournament and the SEC Championship over NCAA semifinalist Kentucky, and he was named National Coach of the Year by several organizations. He's now the head coach at South Carolina, where his team was one of the nation's biggest surprises in 1996-97, sweeping both its games with Kentucky.

Guthridge, Smith's assistant at Carolina for 30 seasons, received numerous head coaching offers during his stint at UNC. Guthridge, however, made a career decision to stay in Chapel Hill and not pursue head coaching positions. He was named Carolina's head coach on October 9, 1997. Guthridge posted a 34-4 record in his first year as a head coach and was named National and ACC Coach of the Year.

Randy Wiel resigned in the spring of 1993 to become the head coach at the University of North Carolina at Asheville and is now at Middle Tennessee State. Former Tar Heel Buzz Peterson, who played on the 1982 national championship team, is Tulsa's head coach. Jeff Lebo is now the head coach at Tennessee Tech and Matt Doherty is Carolina's head coach.

Smith's talents do not lie solely in tutoring quality college coaches as is evidenced by the number of outstanding players who have gone on to professional careers after their days in Chapel Hill. In Smith's 36-year tenure, over 50 of his players went on to play pro basketball in the National Basketball Association or American Basketball Association and many more played in other professional leagues both in the United States and overseas.

After playing in Smith's program at Carolina, most Tar Heels have made a smooth transition to the rigors of the professional game. Six of Smith's players have won rookie of the year awards in either the NBA or ABA, including Charlie Scott, Robert McAdoo, Walter Davis, Phil Ford, Jordan and Vince Carter.

"Coming out of high school I had all the ability in the world, but I didn't know the game," says Jordan, a five-time NBA MVP. "Coach taught me the game, when to apply speed, how to use your quickness, when to use that first step, or how to apply certain skills in certain situations. I gained all that knowledge so that

#### MILESTONE VICTORIES IN THE CAREER OF HEAD COACH DEAN SMITH

Win #	Date and Site, Details
No. 1	Dec. 2, 1961, Chapel Hill, N.C., UNC beats Virginia, 80-46, in Smith's head coaching debut
No. 90	March 11, 1967, Greensboro, N.C., UNC beats Duke, 82-73, for the first of 12 ACC Tournament titles under Smith
No. 91	March 17, 1967, College Park, Md., UNC beats Princeton, 78-70, for the first of 61 NCAA Tournament victories under Smith
No. 92	March 18, 1967, College Park, Md., UNC beats Boston College, 96-80, for the first of 10 NCAA regional titles under Smith
No. 100	Jan. 3, 1968, Chapel Hill, N.C., UNC beats Wake Forest, 74-62
No. 191	March 27 1971, New York, N.Y., UNC beats Georgia Tech, 84-66, to win NIT Championship
No. 200	Jan. 8, 1972, Chapel Hill, N.C., UNC beats Furman, 118-66
No. 300	Jan. 25, 1976, Chapel Hill, N.C., UNC beats Maryland, 95-93, in overtime in one of the great games in Carmichael Auditorium history
No. 400	Feb. 1, 1980, Charlotte, N.C., UNC beats The Citadel, 51-40, at North South Doubleheader
No. 468	March 29, 1982, New Orleans, La., UNC beats Georgetown, 63-62, to capture NCAA Championship
No. 500	Dec. 3, 1983, Stanford, Calif., UNC beats Stanford, 88-75
No. 600	Feb. 11, 1987, Chapel Hill, N.C., UNC beats Wake Forest, 94-85, and Smith joins the 600 club
No. 700	Jan. 9, 1991, Chapel Hill, N.C., UNC beats Maryland, 105-73
No. 768	March 13, 1993, Charlotte, N.C., UNC beats Virginia, 74-56, in the ACC Tournament semifinals and Smith passes Henry Iba to become second on the alltime win list
No. 772	March 28, 1993, East Rutherford, N.J., UNC outlasts Cincinnati, 75-68, in overtime to earn Smith his ninth trip to the
No. 774	NCAA Final Four
title	April 5, 1993, New Orleans, La., UNC beats Michigan, 77-71, to win the NCAA Championship, Smith's second title and the University's fourth national crown
No. 800	March 12, 1994, Charlotte, N.C., UNC beats Wake Forest, 86-84, in overtime in the ACC Tourney semifinals
No. 801	March 13, 1994, Charlotte, N.C., UNC beats Virginia, 73-66, for Smith's 12th ACC Tourney title
No. 830	March 25, 1995, Birmingham, Ala., UNC beats Kentucky, 74-61, and the Tar Heels go to the Final Four for the 10th time in Coach Smith's 34 years at the helm
No. 850	March 3, 1996, Durham, N.C., UNC beats Duke, 84-78
No. 877	March 15, 1997, Winston-Salem, N.C., UNC beats Colorado, 73-56, as Smith breaks Adolph Rupp's record for most wins
No. 879	March 23, 1997, Syracuse, N.Y., UNC defeats Louisville, 97-74, and the Tar Heels advance to the Final Four